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2023 HELLY HANSEN SAILING WORLD REGATTA SERIES
CARIBBEAN CHAMPIONSHIP REGATTA
British Virgin Islands, October 21 – 27, 2023

NOTICE OF RACE

Sailing World is the Organizing Authority for this event.

- 1. Rules:** The regatta will be governed by the rules as defined by the current Racing Rules of Sailing (RRS).
- 2. Eligibility:** The regatta is open to each of the chosen representatives of the 5 Regattas sailed during the 2023 Season, and the 2022 BVI Championship winner, as well as any Sunsail yachts chartered and approved to participate. In the event that a winning Helly Hansen Sailing World Regatta Series Championship team chooses not to participate, an alternative team may be substituted as determined by the Organizing Authority.
- 3. Event Format:** Sunsail is providing Sunsail yachts from its charter fleet based in Road Town on Tortola, BVI. A series of buoy races and point-to-point races are scheduled during the four days of racing, Sunday October 22 through Thursday, October 26. A series of races on an alternate craft may be conducted during the week, which may comprise another (smaller) element of the scoring. Watercraft to be determined.
- 4. Registration:** A check-in is currently scheduled for approximately 6:00pm during the Welcoming Party poolside at the Sunsail base on Saturday, October 21. A mandatory skipper's meeting and chart briefing will be held on Sunday morning October 22 at 8:30am.
- 5. Courses:** Races will be conducted per the 2023 Schedule of Events. Any course changes will be announced at either the skipper's meeting or prior to each day's start.
- 6. Schedule of Races:** Racing is scheduled to be held on Sunday, October 22 through Thursday, October 26. The initial signal for each day's racing is to be noted in the schedule of events.
- 7. Measurement/Weigh-in:** There will be no measurement or weigh-in at this event. Weight issues shall not be grounds for redress under RRS 62.
- 8. Scoring:** Each team's total score will be the sum of its scores without a discard. One race will constitute a series. The scores for the series conducted in Sunsail provided yachts may constitute 90% of a team's total score for the event and the results from races conducted in other types of boats may constitute 10%, if applicable.
- 9. Protests:** For Protests involving an infringement of Part 2 of the RRS, an Arbitration hearing may be held prior to the Protest hearing. The PRO will preside over all protest hearings.
- 10. Prizes:** An overall award for the 2023 Helly Hansen Sailing World Regatta Championship will be made to the boat with the lowest cumulative score. An awards ceremony will be held on Thursday evening, October 26 on Norman Island.

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11. Class Flags and Bow Stickers: Each team's boat may be assigned a bow number (charter boats don't have sail numbers) which are to be attached to the bow forward of the additional Sailing World Regatta Series bow sticker If provided by the OA. All boats will be issued a Sunsail flag, which must be flown to identify as part of the flotilla. Each of the competing boats will also be provided a Sailing World flag, which must be flown from the starboard spreader.

12. Gear: All Helly Hansen Sailing World Regatta Championship competitors are required to use equipment provided with the Sunsail-provided charter yacht. The official equipment list is provided by the base and is reviewed by base staff during its boat-briefing procedure. All equipment that is provided is to remain on/with the boats at all time while racing. The following items are allowed but not required: spare VHF (ie: handheld), spare winch handle(s), a snatch block or similar for the purpose of setting an outboard jib lead.

13. Jib Poles: The boats are equipped with boathooks designed for the retrieval of mooring tackle and are not built for use as a headsail trimming tool such as sailing wing on wing. If you break it, you buy it. For the purpose of projecting the jib clew outboard, the organizing authority therefore allows competitors to only use locally-sourced materials to build a pole device.

14. Tanks: In respect of sportsmanship and fair sailing, competitors are required to top off all water tanks in the Sunsail provided yachts before departing the Sunsail base, with knowledge that daily water usage will vary from yacht to yacht. Competitors shall not drain/empty water tanks with the sole and intended purpose of lightening the boat.

PLEASE REMOVE YOUR BOW STICKERS AND NUMBERS AT THE CONCLUSION OF THE REGATTA. PLEASE RETURN PROVIDED FLAGS TO THE COMMITTEE BOAT OR TO A SAILING WORLD STAFF MEMBER AT THE AWARD CEREMONY.